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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, SY, YO, LE

SUBJECT: PRIMIN KHULAYFAWI DEPARTS FOR BELGRADE

1. JUNE 8 SYRIAN MEDIA REPORTED THAT PRIMIN KHULAYFAWI DEPARTING DAMASCUS SAME DAY FOR VISIT TO BELGRADE AT INVITATION OF CHAIRMAN OF YUGOSLAV FEDERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL DELEGATION AND WILL DISCUSS WITH HIS HOSTS ECONOMIC, COMMERCIAL, CULTURAL AND TECHNICAL RELATIONS BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES. TALKS WILL ALSO REPORTEDLY DEAL WITH ME SITUATION, NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT AND OTHER ISSUES.

2. AP STRINGER (FARES) TOLD US THAT KHULAYFAWI INTENDS TO DISCUSS THREE PRIMARY ISSUES WITH YUGOSLAVS: RENOVATION OF TARTUS AND LATAKIA PORTS, WHICH YUGOSLAVIA RESPONSIBLE CONFIDENTIAL

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FOR IMPLEMENTING IN COOPERATION WITH SARG; NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT; AND LEBANON. ACCORDING TO FARES, PRIMIN IS CARRYING LETTER FROM PRES. AL-ASSAD TO DELIVER TO PRES. TITO OUTLINING AL-ASSAD'S CONCERN OVER ISRAELI THREAT TO SOUTH LEBANON.

3. COMMENT: INFORMATION THAT AL-ASSAD'S LETTER WILL

FOCUS ON SOUTH LEBANON REFLECTS CONTINUING SARG PRE-OCCUPATION WITH POTENTIAL DANGERS ARISING FROM INSTABILITY IN THAT REGION. BY REITERATING HIS CONCERN TO TITO, AL-ASSAD APPEARS TO BE SEEKING TO MAINTAIN YUGOSLAV AND GENERAL NON-ALIGNED SUPPORT FOR SYRIAN ROLE IN LEBANON. PELLETREAU

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